

CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

Mon. 7.00pm. Tues. 7.00pm. Thurs. 9.00am. Fri. 9.00am.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil: John McLoughlin. 10.30am: Peter Murphy.

Mon. 7.00pm: Bernadette Sherwin.

Tues. 7.00pm: Hugh DeVincenzo and his father Rudy.

Sat. 5.30pm: Michilin O Murchu.

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEK

Vigil: Thomas Hopkins (month's memory) / Jim & Betty McGarry.

Last weekend Collection: €1051. Thank you.

On Line contributions

IBAN: IE34 AIBK 9321 4026 9364 22 (BIC: AIBKIE2D). The Parish of Clonguish A/C is with the A I B bank, Longford.

Next Weekend

Readers – Vigil: Liam Madden. 10.30 am. Anne Devlin.

E.Ms. – Vigil: Martin Ross. 10.30 am. Elizabeth Moore.

Feast Days

Sept 14th

The Exaltation of the Cross

The discovery of the **True Cross** is dated to 320. On 13th September 335 the churches on Calvary were dedicated and the cross that **St Helena** discovered was venerated there the next day.

Sept 15

Our Lady of Sorrows

Mary, standing by the cross suffered intensely with her only begotten son, and united herself as his mother to his sacrifice.

Sept 16th Ss Cornelius (Pope) & Cyptian (Bishop) Martyrs

They lived in the third century and both were martyred.

Clonmacnois: Pilgrimage today. Mass at 3.00pm.

Lost and Found

In the gospel story today we see an exceptional shepherd and in this shepherd Jesus is giving us an image of **God**, and also an image of **Jesus** himself who reveals **God**. It is as if **Jesus** is saying, '**God's ways are not our ways**'. God's way of relating to God's people is not typical of how most shepherds relate to their flock.

Jesus seems to be saying that **God** has a passion for those who are lost in any way, those who find themselves **separated, isolated and alone**. Although some people seem to be more lost than others, in reality, we are all lost in some part of ourselves. In one way or another, we have all wandered away from the **Lord**, from the **Church**, from the **life** the Lord is calling us to live. Jesus is saying in today's parable of the **Good Shepherd** that **God** is seeking us out to rescue us from that place where we are most alienated from, God, others or from ourselves.

Fr. Martin Hogan

Adoration

From the beginning of **October** adoration on Wednesday evening will be for **1 hour**, from **7.00pm** to **8.00pm**. There is an energy crisis looming and we are all asked to cut back on our use oil, gas and electricity.

Active aged

Meetings resume on Thursday **September 15th** in Casey's Lounge from **2.00pm** to **4.00pm**. All over the age of **55** are welcome, and especially new members.

Recent Baptisms

We welcomed into the Christian community last weekend, **Ella Mae McKenna**, Kilmore Lower, We pray God's blessing on the newly baptized and her family.

Women's Link- Thanks

The recent church gate collection came to **€91.19** for Newtownforbes and **€1416** for all of Co Longford.

